

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

MAY 09 2007

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

First Named

Inventor : Kaoru Okumura

Appln. No.: 10/706,124

Filed : November 12, 2003

For : EXPANDED SEARCH KEYWORDS

Docket No.: M61.12-0548

Group Art Unit: 2167

Examiner: Kimberly Lovel

CERTIFICATION OF TELEFACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

571-273-8300

Sir:

I certify that the following papers are being telefacsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on the date shown below:

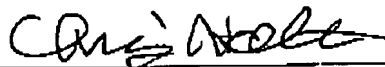
1. Request for Interview
2. Interview Agenda

WESTMAN, CHAMPLIN & KELLY, P.A.

Date:

5/9/07

By:



Christopher L. Holt, Reg. No. 45,844
900 Second Avenue South, Suite 1400
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-3319
Phone:(612)334-3222 Fax:(612)334-3312

CLH:rkp

3 PAGES - INCLUDING COVER PAGE

MAY 09 2007

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

First Named

Inventor : Kaoru Okumura

Appln. No.: 10/706,124

Filed : November 12, 2003

For : EXPANDED SEARCH KEYWORDS

Docket No.: M61.12-0548

Group Art Unit: 2167

Examiner: Kimberly Lovel

REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450VIA FACSIMILE:
571-273-8300

Sir:

Applicant believes that a telephone conference with the Examiner at this point in time may help to advance the present case toward allowance. Accordingly, Applicant hereby respectfully requests the privilege of an interview. In that regard, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned (Christopher L. Holt) to arrange a date and time for a phone conference. If the Examiner is not inclined to conduct an interview at this time, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned be contacted and informed that this is the case. The undersigned can be reached at (612) 852-0600 during normal business hours (central time zone).

Respectfully submitted,

WESTMAN, CHAMPLIN & KELLY, P.A.

By: 

Christopher L. Holt, Reg. No. 45,844

900 Second Avenue South, Suite 1400

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-3319

Phone: (612) 334-3222 Fax: (612) 334-3312

CLH:slg

MAY 09 2007

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

First Named

Inventor : Kaoru Okumura

Appln. No.: 10/706,124

Filed : November 12, 2003

For : EXPANDED SEARCH KEYWORDS

Docket No.: M61.12-0548

Group Art Unit: 2167

Examiner: Kimberly Lovel

INTERVIEW AGENDA

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450VIA FACSIMILE:
571-273-8300

Sir:

During the phone conference, Applicant would like to discuss the following issues:

1. The cited references fail to teach or suggest modifying an input string as claimed to form an additional term, and then providing the input string and the additional term to a search process
2. There is no motivation to combine the cited references
3. Applicant would like to discuss the possibility of allowing dependent claim 9

Respectfully submitted,

WESTMAN, CHAMPLIN & KELLY, P.A.

By: Christopher L. Holt, Reg. No. 45,844
900 Second Avenue South, Suite 1400
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-3319
Phone: (612) 334-3222 Fax: (612) 334-3312

CLH:rkp